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In the Claims:

Claims 1, 9, 10, and 19 have been amended as follows:

- 1. (Twice Amended) A multi-layered structure for fabricating an ohmic electrode, comprising a non-single crystal semiconductor layer comprising In and a film including at least a metal nitride film which are sequentially stacked on a III-V compound semiconductor body, wherein said metal nitride film is selected from the group consisting of a WN film, a WSiN film, a TaN film, a TaSiN film, a TiSiN film, and a TiON film.
- 9. (Twice Amended) A multi-layered structure for fabricating an ohmic electrode, comprising a non-single crystal semiconductor layer comprising In and a film including at least a metal nitride film which are sequentially stacked on a III-V compound semiconductor body,

the energy barrier between said non-single crystal semiconductor layer and said film being lower than the energy barrier between said III-V compound semiconductor body and said film, wherein said metal nitride film is selected from the group consisting of a WN film, a WSiN film, a TaN film, a TaSiN film, a TiSiN film, and a TiON film.

- 10. (Twice Amended) An ohmic electrode obtained by annealing a multi-layered structure for fabricating an ohmic electrode, comprising a non-single crystal semiconductor layer comprising In and a film including at least a metal nitride film which are sequentially stacked on a III-V compound semiconductor body, wherein said metal nitride film is selected from the group consisting of a WN film, a WSiN film, a TaN film, a TaSiN film, a TiN film, a TiSiN film, and a TiON film.
- 19. (Twice Amended) An ohmic electrode provided on a III-V compound semiconductor body obtained by annealing a multi-layered structure for fabricating an ohmic electrode, comprising a non-single crystal semiconductor layer comprised of In and a film including at least a metal nitride film,

the energy barrier between said non-single crystal semiconductor layer and said film being lower than the energy barrier between said III-V compound semiconductor body and said film, wherein said metal nitride film is selected from the group consisting of a WN film, a WSiN film, a TaN film, a TaSiN film, a TiSiN film, and a TiON film.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that claims 1-19 are patentable. It is therefore submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

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